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ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 31.

The Senatorial Nominations.

The Conservative Senatorial Convention, which met in this city to-day, nominated, for seats in the next Senate of Virginia, Judge CHARLES E. SINCLAIR, of Prince William, and H. O. CLAUGHTON, Esq., of Alexandria. Both gentlemen were nominated on the first and only ballot, and their election will secure able and efficient representatives, the Conservative party, staunch supporters, and the State at large Senators of whom it may well be proud.

A meeting of the new "citizens reform party," or as it is termed, the "potato bug" party of Baltimore, was held last night at the Maryland Institute, in Baltimore, at which it is estimated there were nearly three thousand persons present, composed principally of Republican workingmen and mechanics. The platform adopted declares in favor of an economical city administration, the elevation of the character of the city's representation in the Legislature, the taxation of all church property except houses of worship, and against sectarian appropriations, the maintenance of the public schools, reform in the system of justices of the peace, amendment in the registry law, so as to prevent frauds in primary elections, &c. The announcement was made that Henry M. Warfield had been nominated for Mayor, H. V. D. Johns tor State's Attorney, Judge Inglis, C. Emerich and Justus Bruehl for Judges of the Orphans' Court, and John T. McClintock for Sheriff. Judge Inglis is the present nominee of the Democratic party for the position named. Speeches were made by Messrs. Edwin Higgins, Henry M. Warfield, S. L. Stockbridge, H. V. D. Johns and Rev. H. P. Jordan.

The Washington Typographical Union, at a meeting held last night, adopted a resolution suspending members of the Union for six months, on their own application, so as to enable them to form another society, with power to regulate their own scale of prices, and to be tional Gold Bank did not open their doors. independent of the Government Office compositors. This action, it is thought, will enable Boston, and Lee. Shepard & Dillingham, of the compositors to come to an understanding with the employers.

The Mark Lane Express says the continuance of good weather has enabled the English farmers to harvest a large amount of produce in good condition, but there is a great deal of complaint as to quality and yield. As a rule the harvest prospects on the Continent are good, and the gathering of the crops is going on well. The potato crop had suffered from rain and disease in Belgium, Holland and Ger-

The funeral of Ralston, at San Francisco, yesterday, was the most imposing ever witnessed in California. The services were conducted at Calvary Church, which was crowded to its utmost capacity, and a concourse of citizens numbering probably 20,000 gathered around the church outside. The services at the cemetery were conducted by the Odd-Fel-

All the mills in King George, except those of Col. E. T. Tayloe and and Charles Mason, esq., were injured by the recent heavy rain falls so as to prevent them from grinding. The five milles injured are owned or run by Messrs. R. H. Turner, J. T. King, C. C. Robinson and Mrs. Garnett and Mrs. Washington.

Last night a largely attended meeting of workingmen, representing various trades opposed to the present contract system in the Maryland Penitentiary, was held in Baltimore. A committee of twelve was appointed to arrange for a mass meeting.

General Imboden, of Virginia, has issued an address to the people of this State, calling upon them to make united efforts for a proper and fitting representation of the "Old Dominion" at the centennial celebration in 1876.

Aaron Anders, a prominent miller and flour dealer of Frederick county, Md., was accidentally drowned at Linganore mills yesterday morning. It is rumored that his life was insured for \$15,000.

The reports which have been sent from Montreal relative to numerous failures there appear to have been exaggerated. Only four or five small dry goods houses made assignments during last week.

Advices from San Francisco indicate "a robust and healthy financial situation" there, with wonderful recuperative powers, notwithstanding the bank collapse.

We acknowledge the receipt of an invitation to attend a grand fancy dress ball at the Buffalo Lithia Springs, on the evening of the 8th of September.

The Old Defenders of Baltimore arranged yesterday for both a religious and secular celebration of the anniversary of the Battle of

North Point. The ship Moonlight, which arrived at New York yesterday, reports that she picked up two small boats in latitude 13.35 longitude 41, containing the crew, the captain and his family, of the bark Aurelia, and a lady and a little child. They had been awreck four days. They state that the Aurelia had caught fire and had been abandoned August 6th, and that she was bound from Barbadoes for River Plata, with a caago

Seventeen tramps were arrested in Rahway, N. J., last Friday night and locked up. While in the cells they threatened revenge, and on that spot knew them not, nor other for several said that he had no reason for making the mo-Sunday morning they set fire to the building miles. Moral, don't gratify a taste for music tion. The natural order was as the counties was true so far as the statement that Mr. Matcausing a total loss of about \$5,000.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

"To show the very age and body of the Times."

Since the failure of the Bank of California \$1,401.000 in gold has been transferred from New York to nine or ten San Francisco banks by means of deposits with the Assistant Treasurer at New York, but the United States Treasury declines to make any further transfers at present, notwithstanding that several applications to that effect have been received from

A Georgia grand jury, yesterday, commenced the investigation of the recent Georgia "insurrection." The jury was charged by Judge Herschel V. Johnson to make a fair and im partial investigation, to ignore the fact that the accused had been slaves, and to deal with them as if they were whites.

The case of Westervelt, accused of connection with the Charley Ross abduction, was commenced, yesterday, at Philadelphia. The prisoner's wife, also indicted for similar complicity, but who had cluded arrest, presented herselt in court and demanded to be tried with her hus-

The Comptroller of the Treasury has in structed N. B. Longford, National Bank Exammner for the Pacific Coast, to proceed to San Francisco to make an examination of the affairs of the National Gold Bank and trust Com-

The pacing race at Boston, yesterday, for \$5,000 and the championship of the United States, was won by "Sleepy George," "Sallie" second, "Copper Buttom," third. Time, 2.27½, 2.26, 2.21, 2.27½. "Sallie" took the

The destruction of \$509,400 in legal-tender notes has been ordered by the Secretary of the Treasury, being eighty per cent. of the national bank notes issued during the month. The amount of legal tenders outstanding is \$374,-

A person named C. S. Smith, who has been collecting money at New Alexandria, Pa., ostensibly for the aid of the suffering people of Kansas, is denounced as a fraud by the Governor of that State.

James Dunn, Catholic, and Bobert Coulter, Protestant, had a religious discussion Sunday in Columbus, O., resulting in Coulter shooting Dunn in the side and then escaping. The wound will probably prove fatal.

A large fruit-drying establishment was burned at Milford, Delaware, yesterday. The loss sustained by the owners in the destruction of the building and the fruit which it contained is estimated at \$20,000.

At Hopkinton, Mass., yesterday, a fifteen year old boy accidentally killed two of his sisters, wounded a third, likewise himself, by a single discharged of a gun. He intended to

The Atlanta Mills at Lawrence, Mass., resumed work yesterday morning after being idle seven weeks. The mills gave employment to

The telegraph reports a better feeling in financial circles in San Francisco, yesterday. The Merchants' Exchange Bank and the Na-

The publishing house of Lee & Shepard, of New York, have suspended. The liabilities are estimated at half a million.

Jost's distillery at Antioch, Cal., containing 26,000 gallons of spirits, valued at \$50,000, was seized last Saturday by internal revenue officers on a charge of illicit whisky manufacture.

A gun-cotton and chemicals manufactory at Jersey City exploded yesterday, destroying the building. The disaster is believed to have been

the result of spontaneous combustion. Hon. Geo. B. Schall, a prominent lawyer of Allentown, Pa., committed suicide yesterday by shooting himself through the head. No cause

is assigned for the act. The excitement over the failure of Messrs.

Stirling & Ahrens has measurable subsided, and yesterday was comparatively a quiet day in Baltimore business circles. The Maryland, Chesapeake and Merchants'

Refineries in Baltimore are "running out" odds and ends of stock, and will probably close in a few days.

Two new cases of yellow feuer were reported from Fort Pickens on Saturday and one on

Pensacola is declared free from yellow fever

and perfectly healthy. County Items.

REPORTED FOR THE ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE. ARLINGTON, Va., Aug. 30.—The rain king has played the deuce with the never-too-good roads of the county, during its reign. The creeks and runs are overflowing, and in spite of the much profanity there are not dam's enough to stop them. A fellow would'nt mind getting dry

Sheriff Wibert is out at last, after a severe illness and himself again, and now the wicked and ungodly quake in their boots (if not bootless) from the knowledge thereof.

Mr. S. B. Corbett has decidedly the finest fruits of the season on his beautiful farm in Arlington, the pears and grapes excelling any ever before seen as well as eaten, by your correspondent, who has had much experience in

the latter line. Mr. Philip Wrend is very low with a fever,

at his residence, near Arlington. Is a recent newspaper article, entitled "More Justice in the County," statements were made that did much injustice to John Pendleton, one of the capable colored magistrates of this county, whose office is in Freedman's Village, and who is well-known and liked by those who live in the county. The Justice probably meant is Geo. Franklin, whose office is in the lower part of Jefferson, certainly not Pendleton. The "Round House" mentioned was at one time Gen. McClellan's headquarters, and now the private residence of Mr. Nelson H. Vorce. The habit of bathing in sight of the public highway is a great nuisance to the people of the county every summer, and should be put a stop to.

The corner-stone of the new Mount Zion Church, in Freedman's Village, will be laid with appropriate ceremonies on the third Sunday in September.

Another one of the "Arlington Socials" was

on the highway.

held in the Odd Fellows' Hall, Jefferson, Monday evening, by the gay and festive colored alphabetical order. citizens of the county.

Owing to the bad weather there was no

in that place. ent for his wife, under his arm, thought he trict? would refresh himself with a few tunes. Sitting Mr. Orr said why should they object to the by the road-side, he wound it up and sweet alphabetical order. There is a precedent for strains broke the stillness of the night, delight- it in the Congressional Convention. The alphaotherwise. One declared it was "de Lord calling | confusion and was the most convenient. us," the other, "de debbil to cotch us." Fi Mr. J. M. Johnson said the gentleman from

SENATORIAL CONVENTION.

Nomination of Judge C. E. Sinclair, of Prince William, and H. O. Claughton, Esq , of Alexandria.

The Senatortial Convention of the Conservaive party of the First District, comprising the counties of Loudoun, Fairfax, Prince William and Alexandria, assembled in Sarepta Hall at 11 o'clock this morning for the purpose of nominating two candidates of the party for seats in the next Senate of Virginia.

J. B. Smoot, esq., called the Convention to order, and said :

Gentlemen of the Convention-In obedience to precedent it becomes my duty to call the lonvention to order.

Mr. Chas. H. Lee, of Loudoun, was nominated for temporary Chairman, but declined on account of indisposition, whereupon,

Maj. John M. Orr, of Loudoup, was unanimously chosen, and on taking the chair, said the first business in order was the appointment of a Committee on Credentials.

Mr. Wm. E. Lipscomb was elected tempoary Secretary. On motion of Judge Sangster, of Fairfax, he representatives of the Alexandria papers

vere made assistant Secretaries. Mr. J. M. Kilgour, of Loudoup, said the first committee would be on permanent organi-

The motion to appoint a Committee on Crelentials was adopted. The Chair desired each county to name a member of the committee, and they were named

Alexandria: Robert M. Lawson. Fairfax : Judge James Saugster. Prince William: W. W. Thornton. Loudoun: F. M. Henderson.

The Chair requested the committee to retire and organize. Col. J. W. Minor, of Loudoun, stated that

the delegates from his precinct (Goresville) had no credentials, but requested that no objection be made on that account. Col. Minor also moved that the Committee on Credentials report the permanent officers for

the Convention, which motion was adopted. The committee then retired and the Convention took a recess until they should be ready to

The committee, after a brief absence, through Mr. R. M. Lawson, their chairman, reported the following accredited delegates:

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First Ward : U. M. Monroe, Isaac Eichberg and Geo. A. Mushbach. Second Ward: Geo. R. Shinn, G. Frank Kelly and M. B. Harlow. Third Ward : E. E. Downham, Basil Braw-

ner and M. D. Ball. Fourth Ward : J. M. Johnson, R. M. Lawson, and R. H. Rudd. Couniy: Henry W. Febrey, John R. John-

son and John Birch. John W. Mohler, E. Buckley, J. Sangster, J. O. Kerby, R. J. Nevitt, Wm. Moore, M. M. Smith, C. F. Lee, D. M. Chichester, M. H. Wells, E. Van Slyck, C. W. Turley, Alfred

Leigh, John Powell, J. M. Sewall.

LOUDOUN. Leesburg-H. O. Clagett, J. W. Foster, W. D. Hempston, C. B. McCabe, H. Clay Wallace, F. M. Henderson, Jno. M. Orr, L. M. Shumate.
Mount Glicad: E. F. Simpson. Goresville: J. W. Minor and A. M. Chich-

Lovetsville: J. W. Grubb. Luckett's store: W. H. Cassady. Silcot's Springs: G. W. Nichols.

Snickersville: George E. Plaster and A. B. Union: J. E. Hutchison. Woodgrove: J. M. Kilgour. Hillsboro': A. J. Best and H. Osborne.

Blakeley: H. F. Frazier, John T. Ross and Waters: H. E. Peyton, (alternate.) Middleburg: R. W. R. Noland, John Paton and C. H. Lee.

Waterford: John T. Shuey. Purcelville: C. R. Bitzer. Aldie: C. C. Barbour and J. T. Laws. Gum Spring: John F. Ryan. Hughesville: J. F. Harmon.

Guilford : J. C. Coleman, R. J. Allnutt and ames Cockerille.

PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY.

C. W. C. Dunnington, C. A. Heineken, R. M. Ware, Edmund Berkeley, H. T. Lynn, Z. A. Kankey, J. J. Davis, J. M. Barbee, E. E. Meredith, John H. Butler, W. W. Kincheloe, Wm. E. Lipscomb, John L. Powell, L. F. Berkely, W. W. Thornton, Robert Tancel, Jas. A. Herrell, F. J. Cannon, James V. Nash and

Thomas A. Smith. Judge Sangster, of Fairfax, said that the convention seemed to be restless, and as the committee on credentials would take some time to report on rules and organization, he moved that a recess for one hour be taken.

Cries of No! No! Mr. Shion said that as the committee would take at least a half an hour to report, and as the room was very warm, he could not understand why gentlemen prefered a close room to

Judge Sangster assured the convention that the only object in view was the comfort of the convention.

The motion to take a recess until 1 o'clock prevailed and the convention adjourned until that hour.

AFTER RECESS.

The convention reassembled at half past one o'clock, when Judge Sangster said the chairman of the committee was absent, and his fellow committeemen had requested him to make their report. The committee recommend Henry E. Peyton, of Loudoun, for permanent chairman, and W. Lipscomb for secretary, and that the rules of the House of Delegates be adopted as the rules of the convention.

The report was adopted. Col. Peyton on taking the chair said he felt most sensibly and gratefully the compliment. It was as unexpected as undeserved. He had determined not to act, but he felt he must yield to the compliment which had been paid him. He trusted to the indulgence of the convention, as he knew but little of parliamentary law. This convention, which had met together for a common end, was in many respects most important. The harmony of the convention was the first

Mr. C. F. Lee moved that the convention proceed to ballot for two Senators. Mr. Mushbach said before proceeding to bal-

ot he would move that the last gubernatorial vote be the basis for voting for the nominees. Mai. Orr moved that the counties vote in

Mr. Shinn said that when a motion was made he always understood that there was a reason preaching in Arlington last Sunday evening. for the motion. What is the object of this mo-In September the students from the Seminary tion? Why call Alexandria first because her will resume services in the Episcopal Church, name commences with an A? Why not take the vote as the counties are named in the act Last Saturday night a gentleman on his way organizing the district? Why not call Loudhome from the city, with a music-box, a pres- oun first as she is the first county in the dis-

nally fear loosed their power of locomotion and Loudoun made an honest confession when he his personal responsibility it was untrue. were named in the act, and he hoped the pleas- thew voted for the disfranchising clause.

ure of the convention would be to yote down

the motion. Col. Ball said before taking a vote we should understand how we should vote. He advocated that the vote be by representation.

The vote was then taken on Mr. Orr's motion nd it was lost. Mr. Shinn moved that the call of counties

be as in the act of Assembly organizing the District, which was carried. Mr. Mushbach moved that in voting upon any question the vote be based upon the Con-

servative representation of the delegates. Mr.C. F. Lee objected on the ground that the motion would cause too much trouble. Mr. Noland, of Loudoun, moved as a sub-

stitute, that the vote by representation should be had upon the call of any fifteen delegates, which was adopted. Nominations for State Senators were declared

in order. Mr. Noland moved that the speeches be limited to ten minutes. Adopted. Mr. Orr put in nomination Thomas E. Taylor,

of Loudoun, a tried Conservative, and one we can all trust, because we know his reliability. Mr. McCabe, of Loudoun, nominated that tried and true son of Loudoun, Wm. Matthew, he would be nominated as a Senator from this

District to the next Legislature. Mr. Mushbach nominated Mr. H. O. Claughton. He said :

Mr. President and gentlemen of the convention: It affords me extreme pleasure to put in nomination Hierome O. Claughton, Esq., of the city of Alexandria, the choice, after at exceptionally fair determination, of the fifteen hundred Conservative voters of our city. Without announcing himself, but put forward by his friends, without active personal effort, but relying on his people's knowledge of him, his name went before that people, and they by a decided majority, although he was opposed by one of Alexandria's favored and favorite sons, expressed their preference for him in a primary election so fairly conducted that its result left in the hearts of the defeated ones, as is rarely the ease, no thought but to give their full support

to their victorious competitor.

Mr. Claughton's long life among you has not been without its fruits. He is well and favorably known of you. Who he is and what he is it needs no words of mine to instruct the gentlement of Loudent Prince Williams. men of Loudoun, Prince William and Fairfax. possesses qualifications which will cause him to take a high place in the legislative body for a seat in which we present him to you—a body which in the near future must grapple with and determine a question of the most vital importance to the State, than which none it has ever been called to pass upon is more important; as a man he cannot make any but lasting friends among those whose friendship is worth the hav-ing; as a Virginian he has at heart the best interests and the honor and the glory of this mighty State, and we know will do naught but to enhance its interests and advance its prosperperity; and as a Conservative he regards the preservation of the party organization intact and the success of its movements on the political field as absolutely essential to the well being, not only of the State, but of our country. While we present him as the candidate of

Alexandria, he represents no interests antagon istic to those of the country round about it.
We bolieve that there is no substantial, no real cenflict between the people of the two divisions, the country and the city; that they are mutually dependent on one another, and that that legislation which will benefit the one, if not too radical and partial and exclusive in its nature, must necessarily redound to the advantage of the other. But in addition to his qualifications for we would add another reason why Alexandria should be allowed to turnish one Senator. That reason is based upon the idea of fair rotation. Alexandria is entitled to it-it is her turn in other words. Fairfax and Loudoun have had failed in a pic-nic, but the Mayor made the asthe Senators for now six years, and we reasona bly hope that as we present a gentleman suitable in all respects there will be no real opposition to his nomination. We know that if he be selected this district will never have cause to regret its choice.

Judge Sangster, of Fairfax, said in advocating the nomination of a gentleman from another county than the one he represented, it was due that he should explain the reasons of his course, which were, that when Judge Thomas, of Fair fax, was nominated, it was with the understanding that Prince William should have the nomination at this time, and the Fairfax delegates were pledged in honor to that course. He paid a handsome tribute to Gen. W. H. F. Lee.

Mr. D. McC. Chichester, of Fairfax, claimed that Fairfax had as much right as any other county to present a candidate, and that this Convention could not be bound by the action of the last Convention. He placed Judge Thomas' nomination on a higher ground than that of a speaker every time he gets into an argument mere compromise.

Mr. R. L. Nevitt said he was a member of the last Convention and did not recollect any bargain. He remembered that the nomination of Judge Thomas was put on higher grounds here, but I could tell you things that would than a compromise. It was proposed to nominate him by acclamation. He was not regarded as the candidate of any particular county.

he understanding in the last Convention. Mr. Mcredith, of Prince William, said he came to second the nomination of Judge Sinclair. He could not add to what had been so elequently said in his favor, but he felt if he re- ish the glass. The next speaker, we thought, manued silent he would be recream to those who | spoke complainingly of his treatment when he sent him to this Convention. He need not tell this Convention of the ability of Judge Sinclair; terated "Adam's ale," but the old gentleman not a contest with Radicalism had been waged who preceded him informed him that each this Convention of the ability of Judge Sinelair; but that the voice of Charles E. Sinclair had been heard in defence of the Conservative party.

The Chair announced that nominations were closed. Col. M. D. Ball said before the asminations were closed he desired to second the nomination of Alexandria's choice for State Senate. Laying aside the contentions of sister counties he was not without hope that the circumstances under which Alexandria had presented her candidate, he would be nominated. If the country were to become great, Alexandria would become a great city by reason of her railways Master. Now we think when that state of and location. Build up Alexandria and her prosperity would bloom upon the hills of Loudoun; would east its fragrance upon the bright piece of advice to the lodges was for them to historic plains of Manassas, and would blosom in the valleys of Fairfax. He deprecated rivalry ments and fertilizers, although by so doing between the cities and country. Coming to the question of the merit of the men, Alexandria presented a gentleman whose ability was a guarantee of his fitness for the position.

Mr. Noland, of Loudoun, said he was not willing to swap horses under such difficulties. He rose to second the nomination of Thomas E. Taylor, of Loudoun. He said it was known that he, the speaker, was an agriculturalist, and and cach in interests will be arrayed against his efforts had been to lift agriculture to a the other. So far as doing away with middle proper level, and in those efforts he never found Thomas E. Taylor to fail him.

Mr. J. M. Kilgour said that this was the time when harmony should prevail in the Conservative party; Loudoun was entitled to a Senator, and that her choice was Matthew. J. M. Johnson said the counties of Prince

William and Loudoup had each presented their candidates, and Alexandria had presented a gentleman who had, step by step since he had been admitted to the bar, attained to the posed to control legislation through the order highest rank in his profession, and, if selected, would reflect honor upon the Convention that nominated him, upon the District that elected him, and the Commonwealth of Virginia.

The chair announced that the nominations wore closed, and the call of counties began with

Mr. R. L. Nevitt said that he had heard a that this has assumed in an existence of eighprevailing in the convention that ful to his musical ear, but the effect upon a betical order is the natural order, and prevents Matthew had been a member of the Under- against. The above was the last argument used couple passing by, just from a love-feast, with invidious distinction between the counties. His wood Convention and voted for the disfranchisminds heightened with religious emotions, was reason in making the motion was to prevent ing clause in the constitution and asked if that complishing, and after hearing it we could not rumor was correct. Mr. J. M. Kilgour said he would state upon

Mr. Foster, of Loudoup, said that the rumor

Mr. Kilgour eloquently detended Mr. Matthew, and said the safety of the Conservative

party was threatened. Mr. Shinn raised the point of order that the debate was out of order. [Confusion.]

The Chair called order. Mr. Wells argued that it was proper to allow Mr. Kilgour to go on, and the assaulted gentle-

man should be allowed a vindication. Mr. Kilgour gave way to Mr. Nevitt, who said that he did not intend to throw a fire brand into the convention, and he had inquired privately about the matter among the delegates and they did not seem inclined to give him any information, and one of the Loudoup delegation, Mr. Orr, had suggested to him to bring the matter publicly before the convention. | Much confusion ensued, the Chair continually

rapping for order. Mr. Orr arose to speak, but the Chair recognized Mr. Kilgour, who resumed his defence of Mr. Matthew and read a printed eard of Mr. Matthew concerning a similar charge, previous

ly made. Col. Ball said this question was more important than merely affecting one of these nominees. The question whether the lines were going to be drawn and whether gentlemen who and hoped and trusted in the name of Loudoun had voted as independents were to be ruled out. If this question of independents was to

be lugged in it would bear equally upon himseli, the chairman of the Fairfax delegation, Judge Sangster, and even the very gentleman who had thrown the fire brand into the convention (Mr. Nevitt) who had been an independent candidate for the legislature, and only withdrew when he found he could not be

Mr. Shinn raised the point of order that the Convention had only given way to allow personal explanations on behalt of Mr. Matthew.

The chair declined to rule upon the point only to say that the gentlemen was technically out of order and would submit the point to the

Mr. Shing then moved to go on with the call of counties, which was carried.

Counties.	Taylor.	Sinclair.	Matthew.	Claughton.
Loudoun Alexandria Fairfax Prince William	716 315 40	888 1,416 1,088 765	1,182	986 1,416 715 725
Total	1,081	4,157	1,465	3.812

Two thousand seven hundred and sixty two being necessary for a choice, the President declared that Mr. H. O. Claughton, of Alexandria, and Judge Sinclair, of Prince William, were the nominees of the Convention, and

Major Richard Noland, of Loudoun, after pledging the earnest support of his county to the action of the Convention, moved that the nominations be made unanimous, and his motion was unanimously carried.
On motion of Mr. Meredith, of Prince Wil-

iam, a committee consisting of Messrs. Minor, of Loudoun, Shinn, of Alexandria, and Judge Sangster, of Fairfax, was appointed to wait upon the nominees and inform them of their nomination, and the committee having discharged that duty, the nominees appeared and accepted the nomination in able and eloquent in his head. How can you? specches, after which the Convention ad

sertion after a series of successful ones, and no

doubt felt that a failure was impossible, but

Oh! that alters the case, and the brunette The Grange Meeting at Hamilton. HAMILTON, VA., August 28 - Maj. J. Mort. Kilgour once remarked that Hamilton never

alas! On the third of August we were to have had a grand grange pic-nic, which was postponed until to-day on account of rain, and just to think it had to rain again to-day and we have to record another failure. The extra train from Alexandria, which arrived about half past ten a. m., brought up about a dozen of the innitiated, the most of them, we believe, living in this section and on their return from the meeting of the district grange in your city. Bad as the weather was, however, there were several families who braved the mud and the rain in their devotion to the cause, and the "Masonic Hall," to which they adjourned, was well filled. Speeches were made by Col. Featherstone, Mr. Ambler and Col. Ruffin. The speeches might have been considered good had the gentlemen been allowed to tell what they knew, but when or attempts an explanation has to bring up suddenly in the middle or anywhere before he gets through and say if you were in the secret I could tell you so and so, or it won't do to say convince you, it is too much like "proving a pudding by chewing the bag." The gentleman from Louisa told some good anecdotes, drink-Mr. Powell differed from Mr. Nevitt as to ling the meanwhile a queer colored water from a tumbler on the table before him, which your correspondent was at some trouble to account for until he saw a brother take a pint bottle (with a serew top) from his satchel and replendiscovered that his glass contained the unadulman was expected to "color his own water, which does not look much like co-operation. We do not think the result of to day's proceedings will be of much benefit in advancing the interest of the grange movement in the county. Nor, indeed, can we after listening earefully to the different speeches express ourselves as satisfied that any great good to the farming community is to grow out of it. All the good that was promised was on conditions that each man acted fairly and honestly, kept his pledge to the letter, and obeyed the instructions of the things arrives the millenium will have come and we will have no need of granges. One combine upon certain kinds of farming implethey might have to abandon a good article. Now we can't see how a man is to be benefitted by saving fifty per cent in the cost of an article that may prove of no value whatever to him. Another idea that struck me was that if the grange movement is generally adopted by the farmers our communities will be divided into two parties, the granger and the anti-granger, men I see nothing in any of their talk that is likely to lead to such a result. They only propose to make a member of their order the mid dle man and obligate themselves to patronize him, while if established in a community of commission men he will, of course, be bound by such regulations as regards the conduct of his business as others of the same class, and will be able by reason of their co-operation to do a large business. One of the speakers proand thereby advance the prosperity of Virginia, and hinted that the position of our Senatorial candidates on questions of interest to the order should be the test in the convention. So it may be well for the various aspirants to be careful how they express themselves, for an

organization that has grown to the proportions

een months might be a dangerous thing to run

keep the story of "Jonah's gourd" out of our

mind. The meeting in the language of the

qualified would address the gangers of the county on subjects of interest on the last day of our Agricultural Fair in October. And so ended the great pic-nic of the season which was not even a success for the various candidates, as they can find more of their fellow citizens they are so anxious to serve in a body at any of the many public sales occuring in the county about this time.

Letter from Fauquier White Sulphur Springs.

Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette. WARRENTON SPRINGS, VA., Aug. 29, 1875. The bottom has failen out of the clouds, or something is the matter with the machinery of nature; another deluge is upon us, and had the Millerites settled upon this period for the final destruction of this globe, and predicted a second deluge, I am very sure they would have many devout believers, especially those unfor tunates who are floating about in this pond, which, in dry weather, is known as White Sulphur Springs. We are literally flooded, and a Potomae skiff could pavigate any part of the grounds; each cottage is an Island, around which the augry waters rush, and the ceaseless drip of the rain against the roof and under the eaves; the sombre light, and the gloomy sur roundings, make one of a fashionable indigo blue. A rainy Sunday in the country! What a dismal picture is conjured up in your mind of dragging weary hours, of days that seemingly never come to an end; of a miserable doglike feeling that clings to one, until the reluctant sun breaks through the clouds. Many of the visitors will leave this week, and for a short time an utter silence will reign. Dr. Harris is making extensive preparations for the camp meeting, and every cottage has been engaged, and several will be occupied this week.

MODERN SOCIETY seems to be slowly changing; moneyhood and not manhood, is the requirement now-a-days, and he who has the largest bank account earries off the prize, and not him who has medest worth and merit, and I believe that many a tender woman has to decide between two suitors, and in delicately weighing the chances, finds to her own satisfaction, at least, that a small fire side is not equal to a gorgeous room heated by steam; an humble meal shared by those they love and sweetened by content, does not compare with the rosewood table, siver plate and varied courses, and the cozy house sinks into insignificance under shadow of the brown stone front; and above all, according to their reasoning "all for love" is a pretty sentiment to appliand in others, but a most unwise one to follow ourselves. "All for love" means a "fool's paradise," nothing more, and after its raptures are over, then comes the pining and regret. And they argue who ever saw a woman who married for money willing to give up her gilded cage for an unfettered freedom, and so these reasons, drawn by the sweet feminines, is logic indisputable, to their minds, that the

man is nothing, but the money is all. A friend of mine told me that he heard a discussion at a ball, not long since, between two young ladies, a blonde and a brunette :

Said one-Just think of it; Miss Nemo is going to marry old Mr. Bullion. I don't wonder at her doing so, either of

us would if we had the chance, replied the I'd die first said the brunette, indignantly. What! Marry that detestable old man, fully

sixty-five, if he is a day; and not a sound tooth My dear, quietly responded her companion he is worth ten thousand a year.

sat silently regarding a plain ring on her fore finger, and evidently envying in her heart Miss Nemo's splendid solitaire diamond ring. This puts me in mind of an old English play I once saw Murdock act in -it was called "The City Match." Aurelia Brightly is determined to marry an old man, and neither the arguments

of her brother, nor the expostulations of her lover can change her resolution:

Brightly-You will not wed him. Aurelia-1 will. Newcut-But in wedding him you marry more infirmities than ever Galen dreamed of he has a cough that nightly drowns the beliman; calls up his family, and all his neighbors rise; not four loam wails, nor sawdust put between

can dead it. Aurelia -Rut he is rich, sir ! Brightly-And do you know his age, and that palsied old man shall freeze between your melting arms; do but consider this. He marries

you as he would his furs to keep him warm. Aurelia-Yet still he is rich. This long continued wet season has, I fear, destroyed the sporting this fall Early in the summer there never was a better prospect, but the second brood are all drowned out now, and

the birds will be both scarce and wild. CHASSEUR Letter from Fauquier.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette. MARKHAM, FAUQUIER Co., VA., Aug. 26 I wish I could bring before your readers the beautiful scenery of the Blue Ridge. Some portions of the mountains are heavily wooded. presenting dark masses of foliage to the eye in other places there are rich pasture fields of a lighter green, and here and there are smiling corn fields with their cereal treasures. From where I write the view is enchanting; one looks over a valley of about four miles in length and two miles in width, with gentle slopes descending from the eminences on either side. In a bright day the mountains are glorious in sunshine; if clouds are traversing the sky, their shadows chase each other over the slopes and valleys and summits, making an ever varying landscape; if a storm rises, shadowy masses of vapor float and glide along the mountain sides. Sometimes the valley of which I have spol on is filled in the early morning with fog or vapor, giving the appearance of a take amid these verdure clad hills.

There is a great deal of beauty in the world if we would but open our eyes and see it. Look at the flowers of the garden, with all their beautiful and varied hues and tints and forms, given by the Creator to gladden the eye and purify the heart; look at a single tree, with its fine tracery of branches and delicate lace work of leaves; think of the grand, gray rocks, the winding streamlet, the noble river,

the awe-inspiring sea shore. Yesterday I made an excursion to a point near Linden, where there is a beautiful pros pect. From the top of the mountain where our party rode we looked off over a portion of the Valley of Virginia; the Shenandoah river was in sight in several places, and we could see a part of five or six counties. Not far off was the Massannutten or Fort mountain, and over the other side of the Valley stretched the long outline of the North mountain.

One never tires of this beautiful scenery, and

I can say with the poet—
"I 'ove thee, Nature,
Not less but mo e for these our interviews. In this Piedmont region live some of the most cultivated and refined families of Virginia. A portion of this section, too, is his toric ground. Near Markham station lived Gen. Turner Ashby, the famous cavalry offi cer. The road through Ashby's gap echoed to the tread of Stonewall Jackson and his soldiers as they marched to the first Manassas battle, and the gallant Mosby and his men had many

a night ride over these mountain paths. The advantage to health of a few weeks' so journ in this delightful region can hardly be too highly estimated. I would advise all your readers who can to escape for awhite from and breathe this bracing air and ride or walk in favor of the grange and the good it is ac- about these mountain roads, and they will return refreshed in body and mind to resume their daily labors and cares.

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Master, who presided, "got through" about four p. m., when there was a rush for home. As the crowd was dispersing it was announced that either the district W. M. or a deputy well the late General Walter Jones.